

implications. The highest peaks of Yemen have Palaearctic butterflies like the Small Copper (*Lycaena phlaeas*) and the Bath White (*Pontia daplidice*) as well as many Afrotropical species and quite a few species only found in Arabia or even just in Yemen. I showed them one or two Yemeni endemics: "Only found in Yemen — nowhere else in the world!" Murmurs of approval indicated that the impromptu lecture went well; there were several questions from the audience. So many Yemeni men have worked abroad that the zoogeography was seized upon. Cola and Fanta flowed freely, still on the house (cold beer, alas, is in very short supply in most of Arabia). We also talked about local ecology and climate and its relation to butterflies. I think they were impressed with my obvious dedication and knowledge, but the summing-up of the senior citizen present was still sobering: "Well, that was very interesting. But, you know, it is very funny with you *nasrani* (Christians). You all seem to know an incredible amount about practically nothing. It is very different for us. We know a something about practically everything".— TORBEN B. LARSEN, 358 Coldharbour Lane, London SW9 8PL.

***Enargia paleacea* Esp. (Lep.: Noctuidae) in Kent.**

A further specimen of this insect, only the second to be reported for West Kent (vice-county 16) in over a century, came to my garden m.v. light on 29th July 1990, the previous example being at the same location on 15th July 1987 (*Ent. Rec.* 99: 267).

Curiously this latter was somewhat ambiguously reported in the annual review by R. Bretherton and C. Chalmers-Hunt of immigrants (*Ent. Rec.* 100: 227) the date being stated as 15/16.7, for elsewhere in the review where two dates are so given it indicates that specimens were observed on both dates, and on dates between that they are not consecutive. I wish to reiterate that in 1987 I observed only one specimen; the date 15th July.— B.K. WEST, 36 Briar Road, Dartford, Kent DA5 2HN.

Vintage Watkins and Doncaster

Has anyone any interesting recollections regarding the renowned firm of Watkins and Doncaster, pre-war? What species of butterfly was depicted on the hanging sign — was it Swallowtail of Camberwell Beauty? A thrilling shop for a youngster to visit!— A. ARCHER-LOCK, 4 Glenwood Road, Mannamead, Plymouth, Devon.

Third brood Holly Blue butterfly?

I would like to record a sighting of the Holly Blue, *Celestrina argiolus* L., on 16th October 1990 near East Malling, Kent. In view of the exceptional weather this year, it seems likely that this was a third generation individual.— M.A. EASTERBROOK, 26 Orchard Grove, Ditton, Ayleford, Kent.